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In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed December 13, 2002, the period for response being extended one month to February 13, 2003, the following remarks are provided.

Claims 1-25 remain present in this application. Restriction has been required between a group I invention directed to an apparatus which includes claims 1-19 and 23-25 and a group II invention directed to a method which includes claims 20-22. To comply with this restriction requirement, the group I invention, including at least claims 1-19 and 23-25, directed to the apparatus is elected with traverse. However, it is respectfully requested that the restriction requirement be reconsidered and withdrawn as it is believed that search and examination for claims 1-25 of the present application can be performed without serious burden.

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Early allowance of claims 1-25 is earnestly solicited. To expedite examination of the present application, the undersigned attorney be contacted at 978-282-5915 to any outstanding matters.

In the event that any additional fees are necessary, such fees may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0896.

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